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 IMPROVED ELECTROMIGRATION CHARACTERISTICS
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 23, 2003, Applicants elect without traverse the species of the claimed invention in embodiment 1, a method of forming a Cu alloy (claims 1-4, 7-9) that reflects to Figure 1.

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